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**DOI AM OPERATIONAL PROCEDURES MEMORANDUM (OPM) NO. 06- 36**

Subject: Interagency Fire Standards for DOI Pilots

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**.1 Purpose.** This OPM establishes policy for the use of DOI pilots on Interagency Fire incidents.

**.2 Authority.** This policy is established by the Associate Director, Department of the Interior, Aviation Management (DOI AM), in accordance with the provisions of Departmental Manual 350 DM 1.1, and Secretarial Order 3250 dated September 30, 2003.

**.3 Policy.** DOI pilots supporting interagency fire incidents shall:

- A. Be authorized by their respective bureau to provide such support.
- B. Meet the pilot qualification requirements of 351 DM 3.3 - Vendor Pilot Qualifications.
- C. Incidental Pilots must also have a Letter of Authorization (see 351 DM 3.2B) issued by at least the regional/state office in coordination with the bureau's national aviation manager. The letter must include a description of pilot duties and restrictions to include any special-use requirements.
- D. Comply with all requirements of 351 DM 3.1, 351 DM 3.4, 351 DM 3.5 and any other portions of the *Departmental Manual* applicable to DOI pilots, including pilot carding for authorized missions.

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